

EFFENDI TOOK LEAD AND HELD IT

Broke in Front at Start and Was Not Overtaken in Bay Ridge Handicap.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY, June 30.—Effendi, at 7 to 2 in the betting, easily won the Bay Ridge handicap, a mile and a quarter, at Sheepshead Bay today, in the fast time of 2:04.25. His race was a great surprise, as Lady Bedford was a well supported favorite at 4 to 5. Effendi broke in front, and his rider rushed him right along, leading by two lengths to well into the stretch. Here Petticoat made a bid, but the colt had plenty left, and won by a length. Summary:

First race—the Elkwood, selling, six and a half furlongs, main course; \$100 added—Wapona (16 to 5) first, George W. Lebolt (15 to 1) second, Seymour Beutler (15 to 1) third. Time, 1:12.

Second race—the Colla, \$1,000, one mile; \$500 added—Prince Gal (3 to 10) first, Verbalin (25 to 1) second, Ruxton (50 to 1) third. Time, 1:40.25.

Third race—the Nassauville handicap, five and a half furlongs, turf course; Fire Box (10 to 1) first, Everett (50 to 1) second, Rocky O'Brien (50 to 1) third. Time, 1:08.

Fourth race—the Bay Ridge handicap, mile and a quarter; \$800 added—Effendi (7 to 2) first, Petticoat (11 to 1) second, Lady Bedford (4 to 5) third. Time, 2:04.25.

Fifth race—the Tammany, selling, mile and a sixteenth, turf course; \$400 added—Lad of Langdon (9 to 5) first, Footpad (4 to 1) second, St. Joseph (2 to 1) third. Time, 1:10.

Sixth race—the Tradition, fifties, five furlongs, Futurity course; \$400 added—Celaret (2 to 1) first, Pocket (30 to 1) second, Coonskin (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:02.25.

Day at Latonia, Cincinnati, Ohio, June 30.—Donau and Beatrice K. were the only winning favorites at Latonia today. Summary:

First race—five and a half furlongs; Eva Tanguary (13 to 5) first, Banivee (25 to 1) second, Redem (even) third. Time, 1:08.15.

Second race—five furlongs; Donau (11 to 5) first, Louise S. (18 to 5) second, Mae Henley (14 to 5) third. Time, 1:00.25.

Third race—six furlongs; Black Sheep (20 to 1) first, Hunc (10 to 1) second, Cablegram (13 to 5) third. Time, 1:14.15.

Fourth race—six furlongs; Beatrice K. (2 to 1) first, Snapp (8 to 1) second, Colmo (9 to 2) third. Time, 1:13.35.

Fifth race—mile and a sixteenth; Annie Alton (10 to 1) first, Sallie Turner (2 to 4) second, Gilderead (10 to 1) third. Time, 1:16.25.

Sixth race—mile and an eighth; Beau Brummel (5 to 1) first, Bellevue (4 to 5) second, Aze (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:52.25.

Eastern Carolina League

Hallman's Good Work.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., June 30.—Rocky Mount and Fayetteville played nine innings to a tie to-day, the game being called on account of darkness. The pitching and fielding of Hallman was the feature. Both teams played errorless ball.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
Rocky Mount..... 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Fayetteville..... 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Batteries: Thorpe, Wymack and Stephens and Walsh; McKeltham, Hallman and Galvin. Umpire, Barre.

Stoehr Shuts Wilson Out.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
GOLDSTON, N. C., June 30.—Stoehr shut Wilson out to-day, winning easily by the score of 3 to 0. The game was called at the end of the seventh on account of rain. Doak and Sharpe did the feature stunt for the locals. Stoehr, for Wilson fanned eleven. "Giants," he could not keep the hits scattered.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
Goldston..... 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Wilson..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Batteries: Stoehr and Stubbs; Cowell and Gilmore. Umpire, Accorsini. Time, 1:14. Attendance, 600.

Umpire Takes Up Collection.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
RALEIGH, N. C., June 30.—Raleigh won from Wilmington to-day in a game marked by much kicking. Five Wilmington players were fined.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
Wilmington..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Raleigh..... 0 2 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Batteries: Howard and Kite; Booles, Brandon and Irwin. Time of game, 1:35. Umpire, McLaughlin. Attendance, 650.

LARGE ENROLLMENT AT SUMMER NORMAL SCHOOL.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WINCHESTER, VA., June 30.—The fourth annual session of the Teachers' Summer Normal School opened at the John Kerr public school building to-day with a much larger enrollment than the first day of last year.

Teachers are present from practically every county in the Shenandoah Valley and Piedmont sections of Virginia and other localities. The school is in charge of Conductor N. D. Cool, of Winchester, assisted by Professor Thomas S. Settle, of the University of Virginia.

"I'M STILL ALIVE AND—"
As She Wrote Assassin Entered and Wounded Man Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—Miss Caroline Brache, cashier for a contracting company, was shot and killed to-day in the Wells-Fargo Building, presumably by one of the concern's employees. The company say the man shot the girl over the dispute of the

This is Important To Telephone Users

On July 4 we will make a change in our telephone system in Richmond—a change which will benefit our subscribers by enabling us to handle a rapidly growing business with greater facility.

This change will make it necessary for us to operate two telephone exchanges in Richmond. One will be known as the "Madison" Exchange, and the other will be known as the "Monroe" Exchange. The lines of some subscribers will terminate in one exchange, and the lines of other subscribers will terminate in the other exchange.

When we begin operating these two exchanges each telephone number will have the prefix "Madison" or "Monroe." In calling a number it will be necessary to give this exchange prefix, for instance, "Madison-500," or "Monroe-500." The prefix is as much a part of the number as any numeral and MUST be given in order for the operator to handle the call properly.

We have planned this work so that there will be a minimum of confusion and delay. A new directory showing all the prefixes will be issued simultaneously with the change, and subscribers are requested to consult this directory when making calls.

We ask your patient co-operation and assistance in our effort to better our telephone system. In the end it means a bigger and better telephone system—a bigger and greater Richmond. The latter is what we are all working for.

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Va.



deduction of \$5.75 from his time check. J. Novak, a quarry laborer, is sought by the police as the slayer. The shooting caused great excitement in the building. During the uproar the slayer quietly walked out and disappeared. Just before she was shot Miss Brache had written a postal card to Miss Emma Stoll, of Chicago. "Dear Emma," it read, "I am still alive, and—"

At that point the man entered for his check and in a few minutes she was dead.

rain and windstorm prevailed, causing damage to property, but no loss of life.

Smuggling Chinese.
CHARLESTON, S. C., June 30.—Systematic smuggling of Chinese into this port is believed by the immigration authorities to have been unearthed through the arrest here to-day by customs house officials of two stevedores, Chinamen and a Chinese laundryman. The Chinese, it is believed, come from Jamaica and other West Indian ports.

AGED PHYSICIAN HANGS HIMSELF
Reason of Dr. J. W. Burton De-throned by Mourning for Dead Wife.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
HIGH POINT, N. C., June 30.—Dr. J. W. Burton, one of High Point's oldest and most influential citizens and physicians, hanged himself to-day. He left his home about 9 o'clock this morning, and not returning in the afternoon, a search was instituted and his daughter, Miss Allie, found him in a barn at the old home on Lindsay Street, cold in death. He was devoted to his wife, who died some time ago, and since her death visited the cemetery daily to see her grave. Old age and sorrow on this account had de-throned his reason to an extent which had been noticeable to friends for some time. Mr. Burton was sixty-five years of age. His father, several brothers and sisters and a large family survive him.

COURT HAS PETITIONS
Earnest Appeal Made for Reopening of Contempt Cases.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The petitions for rehearing in the cases of Sheriff Joseph P. Shipp, of Chattanooga, and his deputy, Jailer Jeremiah Gibson, and Luther Williams, growing out of the lynching of the negro Ed. Johnson, have been received by the Supreme Court. In the case of Williams there is an exhaustive analysis of the testimony. It is pointed out that the nearest approach to a positive statement that Williams had participated in the lynching of Johnson is found in the testimony given by Magistrate A. J. Ware, of Chattanooga, who states that he had seen a man whom he thought was Williams fire at Johnson. Mr. Ware is quoted as saying that he would not himself convict a man on his (Ware's) testimony.

In the cases of Shipp and Gibson, it is contended that most of the testimony on which they were convicted consisted of newspaper articles, which under the rule excluding circumstantial evidence, should have been stricken out as hearsay. With reference to the charge that the jail was not properly guarded on the night of the lynching it is urged that as the officials exercised their best judgment, that as they had no evidence that a mob was to be expected, and further, that as they had denied all intention to commit a contempt of the court they should not be held guilty of contempt in the court's eyes. "Especially," they say, "is this true under the proof in this record, as it shows that defendants, and especially the defendant Shipp, used extraordinary care and made extraordinary effort to protect the prisoner against violence or danger."

Earnest plea is made in all the cases for their reopening in the hope of obtaining a reversal of the court's verdict finding the defendants guilty of contempt.

TARPON BEACH ISOLATED
Fate of Inhabitants Unknown as Result of Great Storm.

BROWNSVILLE, TEX., June 30.—The Tarpon Beach, a summer resort on the lower end of Padre Island in the Gulf of Mexico, three miles from the main land, is isolated and inundated, with the fate of inhabitants problematical, and that a number of fishing craft and gasoline launchers were swept out to sea or otherwise destroyed, results known to-night of a storm of extraordinary severity which raged to-day off Point Isabel and the adjacent coast.

The storm broke shortly after dawn and continued throughout the day. In Brownsville and vicinity a heavy

YALE AND HARVARD WILL MEET TO-DAY

Crimson and Blue in Annual Struggle for Supremacy on Thames This Afternoon.

NEW LONDON, CONN., June 30.—The Crimson and the Blue fluttered gayly on the eve of the Yale-Harvard regatta. Over from New Haven came the men of Yale, brimful of happiness over eleven hour news that their varsity eight was in the pink of condition for a hard battle over the four-mile course, while from Cambridge journeyed in the hundred loyal Harvard rowers in the prospect of a victory not only a good race, but in the vision of a series of victories for every crew that wears the Crimson. The Harvard men had every right to feel happy, for Captain Cuttle had won the toss for the two varsity teams. Yale will have the worst course in all three races. It is generally supposed that in racing up stream—as the varsity race will be rowed—there is an advantage in the smooth waters of the upper reaches of the Thames. Yale won the toss in the freshman event, and took the east side in that contest which would be rowed from the navy yard to the drawbridge.

In the two lesser events of the regatta to-day Harvard won both. These were the gentlemen's eights for the Graves cup, and the subfreshmen's three race. Yale had been unable to fill the crew of four, and it was agreed to make it three eights in a sheltered bay. The Harvard crew this year is made up of veterans, while the Yale eight is in a way, a green crew. Yet so well have the Yale men been trained that the rhythm of their oarsmanship is almost perfect, and the boat never seems to lose speed.

Boatsmen Get Off.
NEW ORLEANS, LA., June 30.—The conviction of Mark Bonzberg, in the District Court of Jefferson Parish, on the charge of violating the Locks and Law last winter, was reversed to-day by the State Supreme Court. The court held that the bill of information had not been legally presented against Bonzberg.

Little Vessels on Way to Provincetown.
NEWPORT, R. I., June 30.—The Atlantic submarine fleet, commanded by Commander George W. Kille, arrived here to-day from New York, accompanied by the parent ship, the cruiser Castine. The little vessels are on their way to Provincetown for manoeuvres and target practice.

Submarines at Work.
Little Vessels on Way to Provincetown for Manoeuvres and Target Practice.

Leedsburg Weddings.
LEESBURG, VA., June 30.—Roy A. Payne, son of John Payne, of Washington, D. C., and Miss Grace Wire, daughter of George C. Wire, of Lovettsville, were married at the bride's home, near Lovettsville, by Rev. Asa Richmond.

Robert B. Bell, of West End, and Miss Catherine J. Lynch, daughter of Roger Lynch, of Philadelphia, were married in Leesburg, the ceremony being performed by Rev. M. Moffett, of the Presbyterian Church.

May Occupy Tehran.
ST. PETERSBURG, June 30.—The occupation of Tehran, the capital of Persia, by a Russian military expedition is regarded in well-informed circles as a distinct possibility of the near future.

Deaths.
Joseph W. Jr., the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Robertson, of Bedford, Chesterfield county, died at the home of his parents yesterday morning at 4 o'clock, aged three months. The funeral will take place this morning at 11 o'clock, the services being conducted at the grave. The interment will be in Maury Cemetery.

Thomas Dillon Returns.
Thomas Dillon, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dillon, of 2105 Everett Street, who was missing from his home for over twenty-four hours, was found yesterday morning on the Ford Bridge by his aunt, Mrs. C. Green, of Richmond, who was at the time on the way to the home of the Dillons.

When asked where he had been the little boy informed his aunt that he had been with some other boys, and that they had suggested spending the night in a lumber yard. Thomas took kindly to the invitation and spent Monday night there. On Tuesday morning his companions left him and he wandered about the streets all day Tuesday and Tuesday night, fearing to return home. He told his mother that he was afraid to go home, for he thought she would whip him.

Mrs. Dillon was overjoyed when she met her son at the front door yesterday morning.

Banks Declare Dividends.
The directors of the Mechanics and Merchants' Bank met Tuesday and declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. Reports read showed that the year just closed was one of the most prosperous in the bank's history. There was an increase of \$50,000 in deposits during the year, with an increase in general business of about 10 per cent. over that of the previous year.

The directors of the Bank of Manchester met Tuesday and declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. The cashier reported the bank prosperous and an increase of \$35,000 in deposits and about 15 per cent. in general business.

Persons and Briefs.
Miss Bessie Jenks left yesterday for Farmville, where she will attend the session of the Summer Normal School in that city.

Edwin A. Doherty, of New York, who has been here for several weeks supervising the reconstruction of the power department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, left last night for Reading, Pa.

A. C. Walton, the newly-elected secretary and clerk to the Water Department of the city, will take up his duties this morning. Mr. Walton turned over everything to his successor last night.

The regular meeting of the Street Committee will be held in the Council chamber to-night.

Mrs. H. V. Baldwin and Mrs. E. T. Hense, of Richmond, left yesterday for a two-weeks' visit to Virginia Beach.

Miss Lela Mayo has returned from Middlethorpe, where she has been visiting friends.

Miss Kella Fitzgerald left Saturday for Suffolk to join Miss Emily Fitzgerald, who has been visiting in Norfolk for the last few weeks.

Mrs. R. M. Robertson, of Crewe, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. A. Williamson, has returned home.

Mrs. Emmett Robertson and children returned home from Drewry's Bluff, where she has been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Kenneth Smith left last week for Charleston, S. C., to spend several weeks.

Mrs. Mattie Brown and son, Horace, of Crewe, have been the guests of Mrs. J. A. Williamson, 156 McDonough Street.

Miss George Holt, who has been quite sick, is very much improved and able to be out.

Misses Patti and Annie Lacy, who have been visiting their niece, Mrs. E. P. Weisiger, have returned home.

For the Ice Mission

The Times-Dispatch received the following contributions yesterday for the Ice Mission:	
Gordon Metal Company.....	\$ 5.00
Richmond Brass Exchange.....	7.00
E. H. Thompson.....	10.00
John Hunter, Jr.....	2.00
Cash.....	3.00
.....	1.00
Cash.....	5.00
Men's Fellowship Bible Class, Broadwood Memorial Baptist Church.....	4.25
.....	1.00
M. S. G.....	1.00
A. Symonster.....	2.00
B. Johnson.....	3.00
R. C. Fleming.....	2.00
Total.....	\$47.25

MAN GIVES WAY TO THE BAPTISTS

He Finds Revival Service in Progress, Cancels Engagements and Goes to Church.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LEESBURG, VA., June 30.—Judge William Hodges Mann, who had an appointment to make an address here last evening in the interest of his canvass as candidate for Governor, cancelled the engagement after his arrival on account of the unusual number of commercial attractions for the same evening, of which he had not known until his arrival, the chief of which was one of a series of services at the Baptist Church, which are attracting large crowds nightly. Rev. C. W. Collier, pastor of the church, called on Judge Mann, explained the situation, and requested the postponement of the address to some other date, to which he generously acceded, and attended the service at the church.

A large number of representative Democrats, however, assembled at the courthouse at the hour appointed for the meeting, to whom he explained the situation and promised to return later to address them.

Leesburg Weddings.
LEESBURG, VA., June 30.—Roy A. Payne, son of John Payne, of Washington, D. C., and Miss Grace Wire, daughter of George C. Wire, of Lovettsville, were married at the bride's home, near Lovettsville, by Rev. Asa Richmond.

Robert B. Bell, of West End, and Miss Catherine J. Lynch, daughter of Roger Lynch, of Philadelphia, were married in Leesburg, the ceremony being performed by Rev. M. Moffett, of the Presbyterian Church.

May Occupy Tehran.
ST. PETERSBURG, June 30.—The occupation of Tehran, the capital of Persia, by a Russian military expedition is regarded in well-informed circles as a distinct possibility of the near future.

Deaths.
Joseph W. Jr., the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Robertson, of Bedford, Chesterfield county, died at the home of his parents yesterday morning at 4 o'clock, aged three months. The funeral will take place this morning at 11 o'clock, the services being conducted at the grave. The interment will be in Maury Cemetery.

Thomas Dillon Returns.
Thomas Dillon, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dillon, of 2105 Everett Street, who was missing from his home for over twenty-four hours, was found yesterday morning on the Ford Bridge by his aunt, Mrs. C. Green, of Richmond, who was at the time on the way to the home of the Dillons.

When asked where he had been the little boy informed his aunt that he had been with some other boys, and that they had suggested spending the night in a lumber yard. Thomas took kindly to the invitation and spent Monday night there. On Tuesday morning his companions left him and he wandered about the streets all day Tuesday and Tuesday night, fearing to return home. He told his mother that he was afraid to go home, for he thought she would whip him.

Mrs. Dillon was overjoyed when she met her son at the front door yesterday morning.

Banks Declare Dividends.
The directors of the Mechanics and Merchants' Bank met Tuesday and declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. Reports read showed that the year just closed was one of the most prosperous in the bank's history. There was an increase of \$50,000 in deposits during the year, with an increase in general business of about 10 per cent. over that of the previous year.

The directors of the Bank of Manchester met Tuesday and declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. The cashier reported the bank prosperous and an increase of \$35,000 in deposits and about 15 per cent. in general business.

Persons and Briefs.
Miss Bessie Jenks left yesterday for Farmville, where she will attend the session of the Summer Normal School in that city.

Edwin A. Doherty, of New York, who has been here for several weeks supervising the reconstruction of the power department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, left last night for Reading, Pa.

A. C. Walton, the newly-elected secretary and clerk to the Water Department of the city, will take up his duties this morning. Mr. Walton turned over everything to his successor last night.

The regular meeting of the Street Committee will be held in the Council chamber to-night.

Mrs. H. V. Baldwin and Mrs. E. T. Hense, of Richmond, left yesterday for a two-weeks' visit to Virginia Beach.

Miss Lela Mayo has returned from Middlethorpe, where she has been visiting friends.

Miss Kella Fitzgerald left Saturday for Suffolk to join Miss Emily Fitzgerald, who has been visiting in Norfolk for the last few weeks.

Mrs. R. M. Robertson, of Crewe, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. A. Williamson, has returned home.

Mrs. Emmett Robertson and children returned home from Drewry's Bluff, where she has been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Kenneth Smith left last week for Charleston, S. C., to spend several weeks.

Mrs. Mattie Brown and son, Horace, of Crewe, have been the guests of Mrs. J. A. Williamson, 156 McDonough Street.

Miss George Holt, who has been quite sick, is very much improved and able to be out.

Misses Patti and Annie Lacy, who have been visiting their niece, Mrs. E. P. Weisiger, have returned home.

ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS—1909.
Total amount of new work from January 1 to June 30, 1909, \$1,550,822.
Total amount of repair work from January 1 to date, \$30,007.

COMPANY'S WORK AUTHORIZED TO DATE.
Total amount of all work authorized to date \$1,010,729.
Total number of examinations and reports, 37.
Increase in new work in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$154,000.
Total amount of work authorized in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$388,803.

NEW STRUCTURES—1909.
Total amount of new work from January 1 to June 30, 1909, \$1,550,822.
Total amount of repair work from January 1 to date, \$30,007.

COMPANY'S WORK AUTHORIZED TO DATE.
Total amount of all work authorized to date \$1,010,729.
Total number of examinations and reports, 37.
Increase in new work in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$154,000.
Total amount of work authorized in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$388,803.

NEW STRUCTURES—1909.
Total amount of new work from January 1 to June 30, 1909, \$1,550,822.
Total amount of repair work from January 1 to date, \$30,007.

COMPANY'S WORK AUTHORIZED TO DATE.
Total amount of all work authorized to date \$1,010,729.
Total number of examinations and reports, 37.
Increase in new work in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$154,000.
Total amount of work authorized in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$388,803.

NEW STRUCTURES—1909.
Total amount of new work from January 1 to June 30, 1909, \$1,550,822.
Total amount of repair work from January 1 to date, \$30,007.

COMPANY'S WORK AUTHORIZED TO DATE.
Total amount of all work authorized to date \$1,010,729.
Total number of examinations and reports, 37.
Increase in new work in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$154,000.
Total amount of work authorized in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$388,803.

NEW STRUCTURES—1909.
Total amount of new work from January 1 to June 30, 1909, \$1,550,822.
Total amount of repair work from January 1 to date, \$30,007.

COMPANY'S WORK AUTHORIZED TO DATE.
Total amount of all work authorized to date \$1,010,729.
Total number of examinations and reports, 37.
Increase in new work in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$154,000.
Total amount of work authorized in June, 1909, as compared with June, 1908, is \$388,803.

JULIAN W. TYLER, First and Broad Streets.

Stock-Reducing Sale Prior to Incorporation

Entire Stock at Liberal Price Reductions.

Prices Reduced on Clergymen's Featherweight Coats.
Clergymen's \$6.00 Black Serge Coats now \$4.90
Clergymen's \$5.00 Alpacca Coats now \$3.90
Clergymen's \$4.00 Alpacca Coats now \$2.90
Clergymen's \$3.50 Alpacca Coats now \$2.40
Boys' Police Uniforms, complete outfit, \$1.00
Rough Rider and Cowboy Suits reduced to 90c

Boys' Wash Suits.
Boys' \$1.00 Wash Suits, all colors and styles 60c
Boys' \$1.50 Wash Suits, all colors and styles 80c
Boys' \$2.00 Wash Suits, all colors and styles \$1.10
Boys' \$2.50 Wash Suits, all colors and styles \$1.60
Boys' Indian Suits and Headgear, \$1.25 quality, now \$1.00
Girls' Indian Suits and Headgear, \$1.50 quality \$1.15

married in Leesburg, the ceremony being performed by Rev. M. Moffett, of the Presbyterian Church.

Mason D. Payne, son of Jesse F. Payne, of Leesburg, and Miss Bessie B. Kirkpatrick, daughter of Mason Kirkpatrick, were married in Leesburg Tuesday.

May Occupy Tehran.
ST. PETERSBURG, June 30.—The occupation of Tehran, the capital of Persia, by a Russian military expedition is regarded in well-informed circles as a distinct possibility of the near future.

Deaths.
Joseph W. Jr., the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Robertson, of Bedford, Chesterfield county, died at the home of his parents yesterday morning at 4 o'clock, aged three months. The funeral will take place this morning at 11 o'clock, the services being conducted at the grave. The interment will be in Maury Cemetery.

Thomas Dillon Returns.
Thomas Dillon, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dillon, of 2105 Everett Street, who was missing from his home for over twenty-four hours, was found yesterday morning on the Ford Bridge by his aunt, Mrs. C. Green, of Richmond, who was at the time on the way to the home of the Dillons.

When asked where he had been the little boy informed his aunt that he had been with some other boys, and that they had suggested spending the night in a lumber yard. Thomas took kindly to the invitation and spent Monday night there. On Tuesday morning his companions left him and he wandered about the streets all day Tuesday and Tuesday night, fearing to return home. He told his mother that he was afraid to go home, for he thought she would whip him.

Mrs. Dillon was overjoyed when she met her son at the front door yesterday morning.

Banks Declare Dividends.
The directors of